

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
Washington, D.C.

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
FACULTY SENATE HELD ON FEBRUARY 9,
1979, IN THE FACULTY CONFERENCE ROOM,
SIXTH FLOOR, LISNER HALL

1 The meeting was called to order by President Elliott at 2:20 p.m.

Present: President Elliott, Provost Bright, Registrar Gebhardtsbauer, Parliamentarian Smalls, Amling, Baker, Birnbaum, Chandler, Chitwood, Fox, Ginsburg, Hill, Kurtz, Lessin, Liebowitz, Loeser, McDonald, Pierpont, Rashid, Schiff, Steiner, Wallace, Wood, and Ziolkowski

Absent: Claeysens, Cohn, Heddesheimer, Jones, Kramer, Linton, Park, Reesing, Robinson, Sapin, Shotel, Solomon, Toridis, and Walker

2 The minutes of the regular meeting of January 19, 1979, were approved as distributed.

3 Under Introduction of Resolutions, Professor Wood introduced the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FACULTY SENATE OF THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

That regardless of precedent or usage elsewhere, it shall be permissible at The George Washington University to appoint members of the faculty with the titles of Instructor, Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, and Professor even though such appointments are for a specified term and are not tenure track. The conditions of such appointments shall be made clear in the offer of employment.

Professor Wood asked that this resolution be assigned to the Appointment, Salary and Promotion Policies Committee for consideration, and it was so ordered. No other resolutions were introduced.

The President then asked permission to change the order of business on the agenda by proceeding to 4(c) Annual Reports of the Senate Standing Committees as the next item of business.

4 (c) The following Annual Reports were received: Educational Policy Committee, Library Committee, and Admissions and Advanced Standing Committee (reports attached).

The next item of business was 4(a) - Nomination for Election of the Executive Committee for the 1979-80 Session, and the President called upon Professor Chitwood, a member of the Nominating Committee, to make this report.

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(a) Professor Chitwood, on behalf of the Nominating Committee, nominated Professor Reuben E. Wood for election as Chairman of the Executive Committee for the 1979-80 Session. The President called for nominations from the floor. No additional nominations were made, and Professor Wood was unanimously elected Chairman of the Executive Committee. Professor Chitwood then placed in nomination for election to the Executive Committee the following four names: Professor Frederick Amling (SGBA), Professor Gilbert J. Ginsburg (Law), Professor Janet C. Heddesheimer (Education), and Professor Peter P. Hill (Columbian College). The President called for nominations from the floor. Professor Wood nominated Professor Howard C. Pierpont (Surgery). No other nominations were made and the President instructed the membership to choose four names from the list of five before the body. By secret ballot the tally showed Ginsburg-14, Amling-12, Hill-11, Heddesheimer-9, and Pierpont-9. The President declared Professors Amling, Ginsburg, and Hill elected to membership on the Executive Committee with a tie between Professors Heddesheimer and Pierpont for the fourth position. The members voted by secret ballot to break the tie. The tally showed Pierpont-8, Heddesheimer-5, and 1 abstention. President Elliott declared Professor Pierpont elected to the fourth position on the Executive Committee to serve with Professors Amling, Ginsburg, and Hill under the Chairmanship of Professor Wood.

(b) Professor Wood, on behalf of the Executive Committee, moved the nominations of the following five faculty members for election to the Faculty Grievance Committee to serve full three-year terms as replacements for those members whose terms expire March 1, 1979: John P. Adams, Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery and Child Health and Development; Victor H. Cohn, Jr., Professor of Pharmacology; Ralph E. Purcell, Professor of Political Science; Lewis D. Solomon, Professor of Law; and Loretta M. Stallings, Professor of Human Kinetics and Leisure Studies. There were no nominations from the floor and the slate was unanimously elected to the Faculty Grievance Committee. Professor Wood said that since the Faculty Code does not specify the term of the Chairman of the Faculty Grievance Committee he thought the term should be coterminous with the chairman's service on the Committee, and, therefore, Professor Erik K. Winslow would continue for another year as Chairman.

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Professor Wood reported to the Senate, on behalf of the Executive Committee, that the amendment to Section E.1.a) of the Faculty Code in the form of Senate Resolution 78/7, "A Resolution to Provide for the Possible Need in Extra Members of the Grievance Committee," was approved by the Board of Trustees on January 18, 1979. He then reported that the Executive Committee had recommended Professor Frederick Amling, Chairman of the University Development and Resources Committee, for appointment to the Board of Trustees' University Development Committee with full voting membership effective March 15, 1979. Another matter the Executive Committee had considered was the appropriateness of the Faculty Senate's calendar. Professor Wood said that perhaps the election should take place in the spring and the Senate term should begin and end in the fall. He said he would welcome any suggestions anyone might have with regard to this matter. Last, he said that he had received a brief description of a tuition exchange plan which he had turned over to the Appointment, Salary and Promotion Policies Committee for consideration.

5 He explained that this was a plan whereby eligible dependents of faculty members theoretically may enroll at any member college or university under a barter arrangement; no money changes hands, and the institution will send approximately as many dependents as it receives.

6 Under Brief Statements, Professor Wood said he had been asked by the Development Office to announce that the "GEORGE CALLING" Telethon on behalf of the 1978-79 Annual Support Fund will begin next Monday, February 12th. Calling will take place each Monday through Thursday night from then until March 8th, and there will be no calling on Washington's Birthday Holiday, February 19th. A complimentary dinner will be served from 6:00-6:45 p.m., in Room 410, Marvin Center, then calling Alumni continues until 9:30 p.m. All members of the University community are invited to participate as callers and anyone who is interested in serving should notify Ron Howard at X6415 in advance.

Professor Ginsburg, Chairman of the Special Committee on Health Care Benefits, made the following preliminary status report on the Committee's progress in its review of the University's health insurance coverage and other possible alternatives:

The Committee is in the process of reviewing the data it gathered on the health care benefits presently offered by the University's carrier, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, as well as other alternative plans. In this review, it has developed that BC/BS, as a result of the 1978 amendments to the Civil Rights Act, Title VII, will be including maternity coverage now as part of their basic plan effective May 1st. This means that there will be an open period during the month of April, as is customary, before there is any change in available benefits so that people will have an opportunity to decide what is appropriate for themselves. One of the things that the Committee discussed was the fact that BC/BS had indicated that they were willing to give us a set of options. In other words, they are willing to give us our basic present coverage (which now would include maternity), plus two additional options with better coverage at a higher cost. And those two other options would come fairly close, as the Committee evaluates them, to reflecting the low option and the high option packages offered for employees of the Federal Government. Now, we don't have to make a choice as a University among all three--we can get all three in the same package and the individual employee can make a selection. Inasmuch as there is going to be an open period in April, the Committee's recommendation to the Executive Committee will be that the new plan for the remainder of the year, at no additional cost to the University, should include the two additional options for the balance of the year so that we would be able to offer our employees better coverage which would carry us through the end of this calendar year. At that time, maybe we will be with the same carrier and maybe not, but that is a matter that will be determined by a competition among carriers. So, at the moment, that is the plan that the Committee is attempting to implement rather rapidly.

Professor Hill announced that the Faculty Coffee House would have its Second Grand Opening on Valentine's Day, February 14th, from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. He said that the Coffee House, located on "G" Street next to "Leo's," will be open regularly from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on weekdays throughout the semester.

Professor Hill then asked the privilege of the floor for Mr. Mark D. Weinberg, Senator-at-Large, GWUSA, who wished to speak to the Senate about a modest proposal. Mr. Weinberg said that Senate members might recall having read in the HATCHET that beginning this semester Vice President and Treasurer Diehl had authorized students to cash personal checks in amounts up to \$75.00 a day, the previous limit having been \$50.00 a day; as the Senate is aware, he said, faculty and staff may cash personal checks up to \$100.00 a day. He said that although this \$25.00 difference was disappointing, the students found it more disappointing that Vice President Diehl had rejected the Student Government's recommendation that faculty and staff be charged the same fee for check-cashing privileges as the students are charged which is \$1.00 per semester. He said that students were not asking for free service, but just asking that the cost of this service be shared equally by everyone who uses it because he didn't think it was fair that the students are required to finance check-cashing privileges for everybody. Mr. Weinberg said he would like to ask the Executive Committee to consider his resolution urging Vice President Diehl to charge the faculty for check-cashing privileges at the same rate at which members of the student body are charged. Professor Hill said that he thought Mr. Weinberg's proposal was a reasonable one and he would submit Mr. Weinberg's resolution to the Executive Committee for referral to the Committee on Administrative Matters as They Affect the Faculty.

Professor McDonald said he would like to comment to note, in support of Mr. Weinberg's statement, that there is a larger inequity that's actually been perpetrated at this University, and that is, as far as he knows, most faculty have been shamelessly attending their own classes without paying tuition. He thought it might be wise for the Executive Committee to look into this as well because it seemed to him that equity should carry across for both faculty and students as well.

Dr. Bright said that he wished to restate the University policy with regard to snow. He said that the University policy is that the University does not close. Dr. Bright said the only time the University does close is when it receives a request from the District Government to do so because a state of emergency exists and they want the University closed to alleviate traffic problems. Dr. Bright said that the President was in agreement with him on this policy, and therefore, he thought he was on pretty strong ground. He also said he would like to mention that he had made a check last Wednesday and found a high rate of absenteeism on this side of the campus but not at the Medical Center, and said he would hate to argue that the function of this side of the campus was less essential. Therefore, he said he hoped faculty would make every effort to make their classes despite bad weather conditions.

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The President adjourned the meeting at 2:50 p.m. upon motion made and seconded.



Robert Gebhardtsbauer
Secretary

ANNUAL REPORT: ED. POL. COMM.

The Educational Policy Committee has convened once since September, 1978, and acted on the following items:

1. The addition of a student member with voting privileges to the Committee was endorsed, and approved by the Faculty Senate.
2. The Committee discussed and recommended to the Faculty Senate that students be permitted to register for credit in courses which they had previously audited (Resolution 78/3). The Faculty Senate defeated the resolution.
3. Changes in grading symbols were discussed, and three recommendations were made to the Faculty Senate (Resolution 78/4), namely, that the symbol
 - a) "IP" be assigned in instances in which the course work normally extends beyond the end of the semester;
 - b) "Z" be used to designate the unauthorized withdrawal of a student from a course which the student was not failing at the time of withdrawal;
 - c) "Y" be used to replace the notation "F"--academic dishonesty".(a) and (b) were passed by the Faculty Senate, and (c) was defeated.
4. The Committee recommended to the Faculty Senate (Resolution 78/8) that each school and division of the University be asked to define its uses of the "reading period" (between the end of classes and the beginning of exams) and that such definitions be printed in the University Bulletin. This recommendation was approved by the Faculty Senate.
5. The Committee responded to a complaint by the Department of Biological Sciences regarding the policy which prohibits the faculty from requiring medical excuses for tests other than final examinations. This matter was resolved through the Provost's office: students will be given a form by the Student Health Service which indicates that medical care was sought.

The Committee on Educational Policy:
David Altshuler
Harold Bright (ex officio)
Robert Churchill
Herbert Davis
Jonathan Katz (student member)
Hewitt Kenyon
George Olkhovsky
Ruth Peterson
Stefan Schiff (chairman)
Morton Taragin
Edwin Timbers
Ruth Wallace

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE COMMITTEE ON THE LIBRARIES
ANNUAL REPORT
1978-79 SESSION

The Faculty Senate Committee on the Libraries met twice during the Fall semester of 1978. Minutes of both meetings are on file and may be consulted by anyone wishing to know the details of matters which are summarized in this Annual Report.

On September 7, 1978, the Committee considered and approved the Book Allocations for 1978-79. Endorsement was also given to (a) the current formula for allotting funds to departments and (b) the deadlines for submitting book orders (one-half the allotment must be submitted by January 2, 1979, and the remainder by March 1, 1979).

On December 7, 1978, the Committee met to discuss an outline prepared by the Library staff entitled "Levels of Collection Development" and to consider ways of alleviating the problem of noise (produced by thoughtless humans) in the University Library. In connection with the second item, after discussing various solutions that the Library staff proposed (e.g., controlling the problem areas, putting up signs, etc.) the Committee decided that the most effective long-range solution would be to install partitions on Levels Three, Four and Five similar in style to the wall in the basement separating the study areas from the elevator corridors. (A request for such partitions had been made by the University Librarian in 1977 at an estimated cost of \$9,000.00.) The Committee voted to transmit this recommendation to the University Provost. Accordingly, a letter outlining the arguments in favor of partitions and urging the University to have the partitions constructed was sent to the Provost on December 15, 1978. In combination with other provisions that the Library staff intends to make, the partitions would help alleviate a problem that has bothered library-users for a long time.

One other action taken by the Committee was to support a Resolution concerning Conflict of Interest on Senate Committees (subsequently passed by the Senate at its meeting on November 10, 1978).

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Ziolkowski
John E. Ziolkowski, Chairman
(February 5, 1979)

Members: J. Anderson, J. Chandler, R. Donaldson, J. Eftis, Y. Kim, J. King, M. King, J. Lowe, M. McIntyre, B. McMahan, Y. Oertel, J.-F. Thibault, C. Tidball; Ex Officio: H. Bernard, E. Caress, N. Matheson, R. Woodward.

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INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

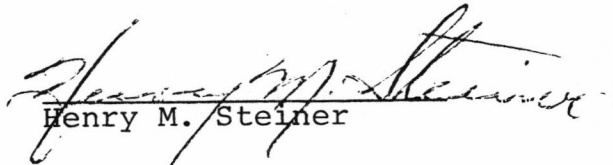
February 9, 1979

TO: Prof. Reuben E. Wood
Chairman, Executive Committee
Faculty Senate

FROM: Prof. Henry M. Steiner

SUBJ: Annual Report of the Admissions and Advanced Standing
Committee

The Committee found no reason to meet during the year.


Henry M. Steiner

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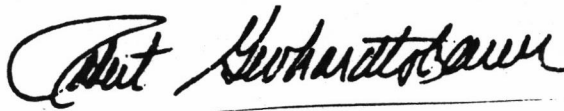
The Faculty Senate

January 31, 1979

The Faculty Senate will meet on Friday, February 9, 1979, at 2:10 p.m., in the Faculty Conference Room on the Sixth Floor of Lisner Hall.

AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Minutes of the regular meeting of January 19, 1979
3. Introduction of Resolutions
4. General Business:
 - (a) Nomination for election to the Executive Committee for the 1979-80 Session: Report of the Nominating Committee for the Executive Committee
 - (b) Nomination for election of five faculty members for 3-year terms to the Faculty Grievance Committee to replace those five members whose terms expire March 1, 1979; nomination by the Executive Committee
 - (c) Annual Reports of the Senate Standing Committees
5. Report of the Executive Committee; Professor Reuben E. Wood, Chairman
6. Brief Statements
7. Adjournment



Robert Gebhardtsbauer
Secretary

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